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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

The Application of: James E. Dahlberg *et al.*

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Examiner: Sandals, W.

Entitled: Methods for Modifying an Oligonucleotide

**REQUEST BY APPLICANTS FOR INTERFERENCE  
PURSUANT TO 37 CFR 1.607**

**AND**

**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION  
MAILED JULY 29, 2002**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

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Sir:

The following communication is responsive to the Office Action mailed July 29, 2002. A petition for a one month extension of time, from October 29, 2002 to November 29, 2002, is submitted herewith. Also submitted herewith is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE). Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the Application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please amend Claim 108 as follows:

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